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second component being at least one of audio and text, the electronic data representation including a representative frame from each segment of the video component of the video program and a portion of the second component associated with the segment;

automatically transforming the electronic data representation into a hypertext format to form a hypertext pictorial transcript; and

recording the hypertext pictorial transcript in an electronic medium, wherein the video program is at least partially retrievable by hypertext anchors.

5.  
32. (Amended) The method of claim 30, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript is retrievable by a television.

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6.  
33. (Amended) The method of claim 28, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript is retrievable by a wireless device.

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36. (Amended) A method for automatically providing a compressed rendition of a video program in a format suitable for electronic searching and retrieval, the method comprising the steps of:

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receiving electronic data representing a condensed version of a video program, the video program having a video component and a second component associated therewith, the second component being at least one of audio and text, the electronic data representation including a representative frame from each segment of the video component of the video program and a portion of the second component associated with the segment;

automatically transforming the electronic data representation into a hypertext format to form a hypertext pictorial transcript, the hypertext pictorial transcript being retrievable by a handheld computer;

recording the hypertext pictorial transcript in an electronic medium, wherein the video program is at least partially represented by hypertext anchors.

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~~37.~~ (Amended) A method for automatically providing a compressed rendition of a video program in a format suitable for electronic searching and retrieval, the method comprising the steps of:

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receiving electronic data representing a condensed version of a video program, the video program having a video component and a second component associated therewith, the second component being at least one of audio and text, the electronic data representation including a representative frame from each segment of the video component of the video program and a portion of the second component associated with the segment;

automatically transforming the electronic data representation into a hypertext format to form a hypertext pictorial transcript, the hypertext pictorial transcript being retrievable by a handheld wireless phone;

recording the hypertext pictorial transcript in an electronic medium, wherein the video program is at least partially represented by hypertext anchors.

Please add new claims 39-56 as follows:

<sup>12.</sup>  
--~~39.~~ The method according to claim ~~28~~ further comprising, transmitting the hypertext pictorial transcript to a portable device.--

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<sup>13.</sup>  
--~~40.~~ The method according to claim ~~39~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript is transmitted to the portable device over a wired link.--

<sup>14.</sup>  
--~~41.~~ The method according to claim ~~40~~, wherein the wired link is at least one of a serial cable, parallel cable, local area network and Internet.--

<sup>15.</sup>  
~~42.~~ The method according to claim <sup>12</sup>~~39~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript is transmitted to the portable device over a wireless link.--

<sup>16.</sup>  
~~43.~~ The method according to claim <sup>15</sup>~~42~~, wherein wireless link is at least one of a cellular link, radio frequency link, infrared link and acoustical link.--

<sup>17.</sup>  
~~44.~~ The method according to claim <sup>12</sup>~~39~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript is transmitted to the portable device via a combination of both a wired and wireless link.--

<sup>18.</sup>  
~~45.~~ The method according to claim <sup>12</sup>~~39~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript is stored in the portable device and can be used to selectively retrieve the video program.--

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<sup>19.</sup>  
~~46.~~ The method according to claim <sup>18</sup>~~45~~, wherein the video program is partially transmitted to the portable device in response to retrieval commands from the portable device.--

<sup>20.</sup>  
~~47.~~ The method according to claim <sup>13</sup>~~39~~, wherein the portable device is at least one of a cellular phone, personal digital assistant, information appliance, pager and notebook computer.--

<sup>21.</sup>  
~~48.~~ The method according to claim <sup>1</sup>~~28~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript and the video program can be transmitted to a portable device.--

<sup>22.</sup>  
~~49.~~ The method according to claim <sup>21</sup>~~48~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript and the video program is transmitted to the portable device over a wired link.--

<sup>23.</sup>  
~~50.~~ The method according to claim <sup>22</sup>~~49~~, wherein the wired link is at least one of a serial cable, parallel cable, local area network and Internet.--

<sup>24.</sup>  
~~51.~~ The method according to claim <sup>21</sup>~~48~~, wherein the hypertext pictorial transcript and the video program is transmitted to the portable device over a wireless link.--

<sup>25.</sup>  
~~52.~~ The method according to claim <sup>24</sup>~~51~~, wherein wireless link is at least one of a cellular link, radio frequency link, infrared link and acoustical link.--